Vehicle maintenance, etc. SEC. 18. The Commissioners are authorized to establish a permanent working fund, which shall be available without fiscal-year limitation, for necessary expenses of maintenance and repair of vehicles of the Government of the District of Columbia; and said fund shall be reimbursed, or credited in advance if required by the Director, Department of Highways, for the costs of all work performed thereunder.

Short title.

SEC. 19. This Act may be cited as the "District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1955."

Approved July 1, 1954.

Public Law 469

CHAPTER 454

July 1, 1954 [S. J. Res. 72] JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the Secretary of Commerce to further extend certain charters of vessels to citizens of the Philippines, and for other purposes.

Philippines, Charters of vessels.

60 Stat. 137.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding any other provisions of existing law, the Secretary of Commerce is authorized to extend and continue the present charters of vessels to citizens of the Republic of the Philippines, which charters were made and entered into under the terms of section 306 (a) of the Act of April 30, 1946 (Public Law 370, Seventy-ninth Congress), and which charters were extended by the Secretary of Commerce under the terms of a joint resolution, approved June 30, 1953 (Public Law 87, Eighty-third Congress). Such charters may be further extended for such periods of time and under such terms and conditions as the Secretary may, from time to time, determine to be required in the interest of the economy of the Philippines, but any such charter shall contain a provision requiring that the vessel shall be operated only in the interisland commerce in the Philippines. No such vessel shall be continued under charter, as authorized herein, beyond the completion of the first voyage terminating after June 30, 1955.

67 Stat. 110. 50 USC app. 1786 note.

Approved July 1, 1954.

Public Law 470

CHAPTER 455

AN ACT

July 2, 1954 [H. R. 9203]

Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch and the Judiciary Branch for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and for other purposes.

Legislative-Judiciary Appropriation Act, 1955. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Legislative Branch and the Judiciary Branch for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, namely:

TITLE I—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

SENATE

SALARIES AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF SENATORS, MILEAGE OF THE PRESI-DENT OF THE SENATE AND OF SENATORS, AND SALARY AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

For compensation of Senators, \$1,200,000. For expense allowance of Senators, \$240,000.

For mileage of the President of the Senate and of Senators, \$51,000.